

Northfield Recreation Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2016  
5:00 pm

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm

**Attendance:** Jeremy Underwood, Suzanne Handren, John Faille and Scott Thayer

**Guests:** None

**Secretary:** Bridget Hammond

**Minutes:** Minutes were reviewed and accepted by all members present.

**Treasurers Report:**

Suzanne will be reviewing lines with Deb. Is concerned that the Red Sox coach bus was paid out of funds from this year and should have come out of last year's budget.

There will be an increase to field maintenance from \$2,000 to \$5,000.

**Disbursements**

Jeremy Underwood	\$24.99 reimbursement for purchase of basketball bag
Leader Home	\$177.47 purchase of materials for recreation basketball cabinet

**Weight Room:**

No update

**Karate:**

No update

**Basketball:**

Many issues this season in regards to the doors being left unlocked, lights left on, children accessing the cafeteria unsupervised, children playing soccer and basketball in the hallway and climbing on the food service counter.

Jeff Hampton isn't returning calls; Seth Kratz will take over as coach for the 3/4 basketball team.

There have been a few issues with scoreboard this season, seems to be ok now. The scoreboard is 6 years old.

The Commission would like to work with the school to ensure the floor is recoated twice per year.

Jeremy and John built the cabinet for basketball storage. Bridget and Sue will paint it in February.

**Outdoor Basketball Court:**

Scott spoke with Adam and asked for a plan and meeting to sit down with school and Commission to create a wish list.

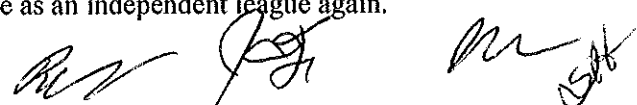
**Winter Events:**

Ticket sales are going well.

**Constant Contact Newsletter:** No movement

**Friends of Northfield:** No movement

**Spring sports:** Brian Winslow and Tom Suchanek former Greenfield baseball coach will assist in the Skills and Drills Assessment for baseball. Baseball will operate as an independent league again.



The Commission is interested in researching the option of sending girls softball teams to the Murphy Park League. John will make calls and bring information to the next meeting. Members on the Commission have heard from parents with concerns that the girls aren't being split by grades 3/4 and 5/6. Other parents are concerned with a lack of communication from coaches, constant change of game dates and times. Field use remains a problem. Need to be sure to have out of town players pay the out of town rates.

Registration nights will be held March 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 in the elementary school cafeteria. Bridget will have registration forms ready for review at February meeting.

**Ground Care at Northfield Elementary School:**

The Building and Grounds Committee requested the Recreation Commission request an increase in the mowing line to include the mowing in the front of the school.

**Other:**

John and Jeremy hung the new door to the gym closet; it'll need to be varnished during school vacation.

Next meeting will be February 10th at 5:00 pm at the Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.